

Sap, Craig@Parks

From: Tara Devine <tara@devine-strategies.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 1:18 PM
To: Debbie DynerHarris
Cc: norman kulla; Sap, Craig@Parks
Subject: Re: Venice Beach Business Improvement District

Confirmed!

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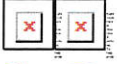
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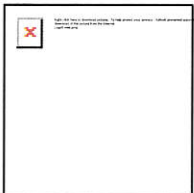


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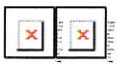
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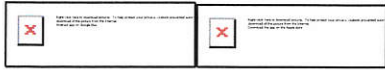


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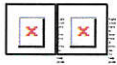
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If no one objects, I'd like to include one property owner from Venice (significant holdings on OFW and in the area.) Steve Heumann is also the President of the Venice Boardwalk Association, and one of the leaders of the BID formation effort. I think that his perspective on the issues on OFW will add to the conversation.

If anyone objects, please feel free to let me know privately. Thank you!

Warmest regards,

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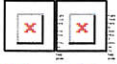


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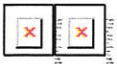


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Sent: Tuesday, June 21, 2016 6:41 PM
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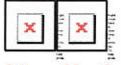
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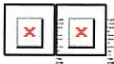
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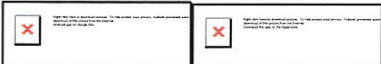


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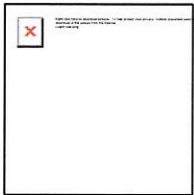


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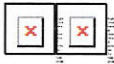
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Sent: Friday, June 24, 2016 12:28 PM
To: 'Debbie DynerHarris'; Miranda Paster
Cc: Tara Devine
Subject: RE: Call today?

All,

Our Central Office looked and found the same unsigned letter in their files. One thing of note the bottom of the letter is signed by Southern Division Chief Dick Troy, Chief Counsel Tim LaFranchi, and Deputy Director Ken Jones.

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The Riordan letter looks great. Would you happen to have the signed version of the letter from Patricia Megason?

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Hi.

I have a meeting at 11 am & 2 pm otherwise I am free.

On Fri, Jun 24, 2016 at 8:54 AM, Tara Devine <tara@devine-strategies.com> wrote:

Can we all do a quick conference call today to discuss?

I am available all day.

I believe Debbie is available until noon.

I will circulate a call-in # if a time can be identified. THANK YOU!

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Dear Mayor Riordan:

Thank you for your recent letter regarding the City's desire to continue the lease agreement for Dockweiler State Beach (including Venice Beach) and Will Rogers State Beach. As you pointed out, the leases expire November 9, 1998 and January 31, 1999 respectively. I am in agreement with you that pending the completion of negotiations and formal execution of the new agreement, the existing leases will continue to define our relationship under holdover status in accordance with the terms of the leases and/or Section 1945 of the California Civil Code.

Should you have further questions, please contact Russ Guiney, Angeles District Superintendent at (818) 880-0350. He and his staff will be working with the City in crafting our new agreement.

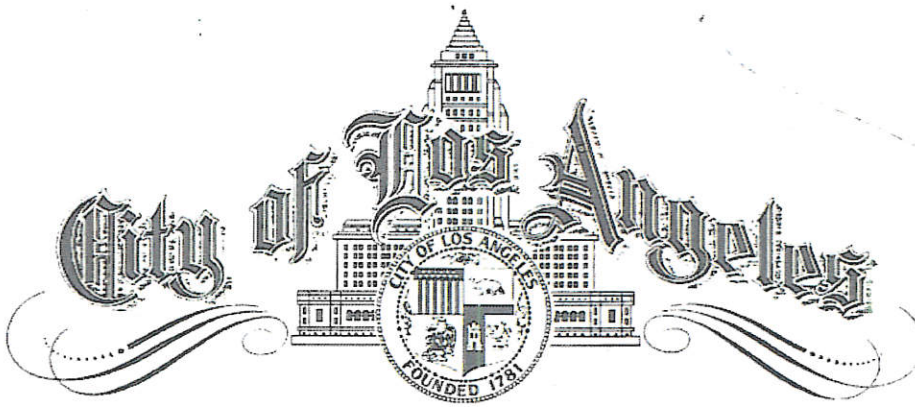
Sincerely,

Original Signed By

Patricia J. Megason
Director

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RICHARD J. RIORDAN
MAYOR


November 4, 1998

Ms. Patricia Megason, Director
California Department of Parks and Recreation
1416 9th Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Ms. Megason:

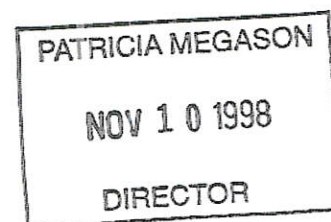
The State of California has leased the coastal beaches known as Dockweiler, Venice and Will Rogers to the City of Los Angeles since 1948. The fifty-year agreements for Dockweiler and Venice Beaches expire on November 9, 1998, while the agreement covering Will Rogers Beach expires January 31, 1999. Both the State of California and the City of Los Angeles have expressed a mutual interest in continuing this leasing arrangement. Preliminary meetings have identified the need to address the issues of land use/development and major maintenance. Pending the completion of the negotiations and formal execution of the new agreements, I am sending this letter to communicate the City's intent to enter into such long-term agreements for the continued lease of Dockweiler, Venice and Will Roger Beaches. Until such leases are in place, the existing 50-year agreements will continue to define our relationship.

Sincerely,



Richard J. Riordan
Mayor

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cc: Cindy Miscikowski, Councilmember, 11th District
Rick Sessinghaus, Interim General Manager, Department of Recreation and Parks
J. Michael Carey, City Clerk

